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Calendar

Sat., Oct. 25	Arboretum Committee Tree Walk, Reception (see p 10)	Sat., Nov. 8	Citizens Assoc. dues collection, outside PO, 9 am–1 pm
Sun., Oct. 26	Daylight Savings Time ends, 2 am: put clocks back 1 hour; Pumpkin Carving, Town Hall, 3–5 pm (see p 8, <i>Sweet & Sour</i>)	Mon., Nov. 10	Town Council meeting, Town Hall, 8 pm
Wed., Oct. 29	Citizens Assoc. Meeting, Town Hall, 8 pm: our politicians in Annapolis (see p 5); Last yard waste collection	Tues., Nov. 11	Lunch Bunch, Town Hall, 12:30 pm; <i>Bugle</i> deadline, 4 pm
Thurs., Oct. 30	Film Society, Town Hall, 7:30, <i>The Heart of Steel</i> (see p 8)	Thurs., Nov. 13	Citizens Assoc. meeting, Town Hall, 8 pm, Neighborhood Watch and Issues Forum
Fri., Oct. 31	Halloween Parade, 1:15 (see p 3); Trick or Treat Night; Scary Walk in the Woods, 6:30–8:30 pm (see p 5)	Sat., Nov. 15	GPNS Art & Craft Fair, Woman's Club of Bethesda, 10 am–5 pm
Sun., Nov. 2	Hazardous Waste collection, Shady Grove Transfer Station, 10 am–1 pm	Sun., Nov. 16	GPNS Art & Craft Fair, Woman's Club of Bethesda, 10–5
Thurs., Nov. 6	GP Music Club Jam Session, Town Hall, 7:30	Thurs., Nov. 20	GP Music Club Jam Session, Town Hall, 7:30 pm
Fri., Nov. 7	Film Society, Town Hall, 7:30, <i>32 Short Films about Glenn Gould</i>	Fri., Nov. 21	<i>Bugle</i> arrives at PO
		Sat., Nov. 22	Last farmers market at Penn Place for the year
		Thurs., Nov. 27	Happy Thanksgiving!

Town Council Minutes

Another to the point Town Council meeting happened on October 13. The mayor announced (as you probably all know) that the two-year

hassle of one lane on Strathmore during daylight hours has begun. If you have any major problems, you can call the State Highway Department liaison for this project, Kevin Nowack (301-513-7385). The mayor also announced that the new

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streetlights have more glare than was expected because of a change made by the manufacturer (see article, p 5).

In the main part of the meeting, a variance was granted for building on Raleigh, and various announcements made: All tenant spaces are leased except one (which is in negotiation at this time). More money for funding for tenant improvements was requested out of the \$100,000 that has been allotted. At least seven street trees and four or five trees in other places were lost to Isabel; they will be replaced and more aggressive action will be taken to anticipate problems with trees that are on the “watch list.” FEMA will probably help in funding the cleanup of the street trees and replanting; it cost around \$36,000 to fix most of the damage that Isabel did. Questions were raised about whether the town should look into getting a generator so that the Town Hall could be used as a place of refuge for our senior citizens in the case of another long emergency. Also, what can be done about the drainage problems in the Montrose/Clermont area and at the northern end, in the gully, of Kenilworth? By adjournment at 9:30 pm, I was the only noncouncilmember left. Do we need more excitement?

Mary Moyer

Loss of a Garrett Park House

At the September Town Council meeting, a demolition permit was granted to demolish the house at 10711 Kenilworth Avenue. It will probably be gone within the next two months, leaving a gap in the history of development in Garrett Park. Garrett Park has a unique blend of all the predominant architectural house styles from 1880 to today. Until recently, the town has been able to accommodate the construction of new houses without the need to demolish existing homes.

Norman Modine, who died earlier this year, was the house’s sole owner. He had his home built in 1956 from a prefabricated kit, which Norman bought through a franchised dealer. The house was designed by Carl Koch and Associates of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and manufactured by Techbuilt, Inc. His particular Techbuilt house was the first of several built in town and may be the only remaining unaltered one.

The split-level arrangement provided two full floors of completely usable and flexible living space. None of the interior walls were load bearing. Stressed-skin plywood roof panels eliminated the “waste space of inaccessible attics and eaves that is found in conventional houses.”

The uniqueness of the Techbuilt house was its ability to accommodate the changing needs of a family as it grew and shrank over time. Norman Modine never took advantage of this feature. He lived alone for several years in his home without making any modifications before he passed away.

Bob Reinhardt, Chairman
The Garrett Park Historic Preservation Committee

GP Nursery School

The 37th annual Garrett Park Nursery School Craft Fair will be held the weekend before Thanksgiving as usual this year. It will again be held at the Women’s Club of Bethesda (5500 Sonoma Road—the corner of Old Georgetown and Sonoma, across from NIH). The fair will run Saturday, November 15, and Sunday, November 16, from 10 am to 5 pm. Admission is free, and Mastercard and Visa are accepted. All proceeds benefit the Garrett Park Cooperative Nursery School, founded in 1953, and accredited by the Department of Human Services and the Maryland State Board of Education.

The fair will feature 35 professional crafters from the Washington area. Among the crafts will be pottery, toys, silk scarves, handbags, scented soaps, exquisite one-of-a-kind jewelry, and hand-made chocolates. Delicious home-baked pies, breads, and other confections will also be available. If you need information, call 301-933-5254.

Theresa Stavish

Progress at Penn Place

For those of you who weren’t able to join Harry Gordon, Chairman of the Penn Place Committee, for a tour on Saturday, October 4, the concrete floor slab for the plaza level has been poured, and now the partitions for the Post Office, Archives, and support rooms are being framed. The first floor of the addition has also been framed. When standing in the space, one can get a sense of the new two-story town lobby overlooking the tennis and basketball courts.

The roof framing for the addition is just about complete, giving the addition its form, reminiscent of the original 19th century building with cross gables.

The entire second floor has been leased: three spaces to town residents and one for the town offices. Negotiations are continuing with an established restaurant operator for the dedicated dining room and kitchen and the two historic rooms with fireplaces.

Bob Reinhardt
Penn Place Committee

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Town Administrator Notes

Isabel: Hats off to Acting Mayor Shawaker for her unflappable leadership during the storm, to Butch Frost and Frank Breazeale for their quick response and hard work during the storm and in the cleanup afterwards, and to Laura Krupp for her cheerful, steady, efficient help in the office. The Town's tree work contractor, Myers and Laws, gave us immediate and excellent service—we can thank Councilmember Chris Keller's effective tree maintenance program over the past few years for substantially reducing the scope and cost of the storm's impact. And finally, hats high in the air for all of you, the residents of Garrett Park! Your patience, willingness to help your neighbors, and the overall cooperative and good-humored attitude that everyone has shown as we have worked to get the Town back on an even keel really make our job so much easier. Thank you all!

Trash: Our trash problems continue. (The Mayor comments on them in his letter this month, p 7.) We are working hard to resolve the problems and will keep you posted. Please call me if your trash is not picked up. I welcome your calling, as it helps me stay on top of the problem.

Leaves: Bethke Landscaping will again be collecting leaves this year, beginning the week of October 20 and continuing to January 15. Each street will be cleared once a week, as early in the week as possible. Leaves should be placed in rows along the curb. Please remove sticks, trash, and other debris that could damage the machinery, and do not shred the leaves. If you have problems, call the Town Office (301-933-7488).

An alternative to raking leaves out for pickup is to compost them. Rake them into a corner of your yard, run over them with a rotary mower a few times, pile them up, mix in a composting medium (available at hardware or garden stores), wet them down, and wait—you can turn them over a few times, if you like, but keep them in a pile. Next spring you will have some lovely material to add to your garden!

Children and leaves: Please warn your children not to play in the leaves piled along the street for removal. There is considerable risk of being hit by a car, even on Garrett Park's quiet streets, so,

as Poor Richard says, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." And if you are driving near a pile of leaves, treat it as you would a ball rolling into the street. Assume a child is nearby and likely to run into the street.

Strathmore Avenue Project: Finally, the project is beginning, and with it the traffic problems. Especially for residents on the south side of Town, commuters turning into side streets to avoid back-ups can present problems. Residents will need to take extra care and remind your children to be alert and careful pedestrians! Whenever possible, if folks could park off the street, it will help reduce congestion.

Ted Pratt
Town Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

GPES

Children are gearing up for Halloween. The parade will go on as usual, leaving the school parking lot around 1:15 pm, tentatively following Oxford to Clermont, making a U turn, and following Oxford back toward the schools. The route may be changed depending on the will of the lead walkers. Then the parade participants will return to their schools and have their parties. In case of rain, the students will parade in their respective schools. In the evening, some of the GPES students will also be collecting money for UNICEF in the orange boxes. Have your pennies ready!

The school has started a newspaper collection site. Your clean, dry newspapers are to be put in a red dumpster placed at the corner of the parking lot, and the school will get money in return for each ton collected. Newspapers only, please—no phone books, magazines, catalogues, plastics, string, mail, tape, wire, bags, or boxes. This will continue for the school year.

Principal Lee Derby would like to thank the town (and Frank Breazeale in particular) for painting the stripes on the crosswalk near the school. He also thanks the Women's Club for their yearly music scholarship. This year's recipient is 5th grader Katie Collins, who is studying clarinet.

Mary Moyer



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Farewell to Friends

We have spent 20 years of our lives in your beautiful town—lots of wonderful memories. We made our little corner of Penn Place a very special place for the community to be proud of.

It is with many tears and regrets that we will not be returning. We will be staying in Kensington at “Just my Style” and hope you will continue to come. Thank you for your encouragement and support during this time.

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Town Council Meeting Reaction

It has been awhile since I had attended a GP Town Council meeting, but I thought I'd drop in with a couple of quick questions about a project in town. It seemed a little odd though, because other than the Council and Mayor, there were only five other people. Of these five there were two representatives from committees, a reporter, one person requesting a variance, and myself.

Before I asked my questions, I heard from the Council, “Please don't put that in the *Bugle*” and “We should discuss this in an executive session after the meeting.” When I asked if a document related to a town project was public record, there was a little bit of discussion among those in the room, which quickly led to “No, that is not part of the public record and cannot be provided to you.” Then I asked if information regarding a reported, proposed change in the project would be provided to the town (read taxpayers and co-owners of town assets) before a decision was made, so that any comments could be submitted. The response by the Mayor was that information would not be provided, because the whole town could not be involved in every decision and that everything will be OK. (Hmm... seems I've heard that last part before.) I might have agreed with him, but not being afforded the opportunity to see the information, I cannot say.

Now I know why no one goes to the Town Council meetings anymore.

Chuck Berry

Welcome Newcomers

After the hurricane, some newcomers were spotted out cleaning up their and neighbors' yards. Bob and Sharon Ratcliffe of 10904 Montrose were raking debris out of the street along with the Snyders. They and their children came all the way from Oregon (three years ago—but they are still newcomers!). Bob works for the Department of the Interior.

Damian and Stephanie Salvatore moved in two years ago, all the way from Parkside. They and their family live at 10909 Montrose. Damian and Stephanie own the Persimmon Restaurant in Bethesda.

With a good turnout at the Newcomers Welcome on September 29, more names were added to our roster: Jason and Andrea Birdsong, along with their 15-month-old daughter, moved into 4700 Waverly on August 15 from Alexandria. Andrea's aunt, Marylynn Placet, already lives here, and they decided that this was the place for them. Jason is a web site manager.

Ed and Ann Sundt moved to 4701 Argyle from Bradley Boulevard during the hurricane stretch. Ed was Bill Rugh's college roommate, so they were acquainted with the neighborhood. Ann is a Circuit Court Judge, and Ed a school administrator looking for work.

Barry Castleman and Jen Sass are now in 4406 Oxford. Son Nathan (14) is a student at WJHS. Barry is an environmental consultant on asbestos issues, and Jen works with the National Resources Defense Council.

Mike and Karen Reid moved here to 4505 Strathmore in April from far off Randolph Hills.

Two children fill out the family. Both Mike and Karen work with computer programing.

Brad Christmas, a CIO at Akin Gump, and Tara Flynn, an attorney with the Federal Trade Commission, moved to 10803 Kenilworth in March. They have two children.

Santiago Ramon and Marian Lavin and their two daughters are now living at 4804 Strathmore. Santiago works at NIH.

Annemiek Smit and Harm Zebregs, with Jasper (3), have moved into the purple house at the corner of Kenilworth and Strathmore. They are slowly getting used to the traffic at the corner.

And last but in no way least, Jeanne Sanders has moved in temporarily to 4709 Albemarle, and is quite pleased with the town.

A hearty welcome to all these newcomers, and anyone else we have omitted!

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Citizens Association News

There are several upcoming items of interest from the Citizens Association:

Wednesday, October 29, 8 pm, Town Hall. What is happening in Annapolis? This meeting will be devoted to hearing from our three state delegates, Kumar Barve, Michael Gordon, and Luiz Simmons. (Senator Forehand cannot make it.) Our delegates will be discussing developments in Annapolis from their perspective. Of course, our delegates are Democrats, and the Governor is Republican, so the presentation is likely to be lively. Please join us, and bring questions.

Friday, October 31, 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Halloween. Are you ready for the “second annual” Halloween in Porcupine Woods? The Association is planning a haunted park walk to take place on the path through Porcupine Woods. Bring your children to the entrance behind Penn Place (not the Clermont Avenue entrance) and be prepared for some spooky goings-on. If you have questions, please call Vice President Matt Stavish.

Thursday, November 13, 8 pm, Town Hall. Neighborhood Watch and Issues Forum. Our November meeting will be devoted to two topics: (1) Neighborhood watch developments featuring security updates and discussion regarding our response to emergency situations in Garrett Park, organized by Jane Franklin, and (2) an issues forum run by Co-President Gene Brantly. Our last forum in June was lively and productive, ending before we were able to discuss all the issues raised. Please plan to attend, and bring your concerns, ideas, and support for solutions.

Meeting with the State Highway Administration. We have been seeking to have the SHA talk to the Town regarding the timetable for reconstruction (traffic calming) along Strathmore Avenue. They will contact us to arrange a date when construction is about to begin. Please watch for notices about a meeting.

Finally, if anyone is interested in serving as an Association officer, please contact Co-President Ken Schwartz or any other officer (see box, p 2). Elections will be held in January.

Ken Schwartz

Update on Street Lights

Over the last month, Pepco has installed approximately 70 new street lights, with another 20 to be done. As you may have noted, the new lights appear to be brighter than the old ones, so that they shine into some bedrooms and keep some of us awake. How did this happen?

The Lighting Committee was particularly interested in directing light onto the streets and sidewalks and minimizing glare into surrounding areas. Choosing a fixture that would accomplish this, they had a sample installed at the corner of Oxford and Montrose about a year ago for us to react to. Based on that demonstration, the Committee chose that fixture, made by Holophane. Pepco, our installation contractor, ordered the fixtures and began installation. Complaints about brightness began fairly early on, so I asked Ted Pratt to follow up with our lighting consultant, Scott Watson, and Pepco to make sure the fixtures were the ones specified. They are, but we learned that Holophane had redesigned the fixture without telling Pepco or us. As a result, the bulb, which had been recessed in the housing by almost 2 inches, now protrudes below the reflector by almost 1 inch, and light is shed over a wide area rather than being directed down. According to Holophane, this redesign was to avoid overheating. Because the job is almost complete, we decided to finish installing the rest, which should be completed within the next two weeks.

We now have to go back to Holophane and determine how to fix the problem: a different fixture, a retrofit, lower wattage bulbs, or some combination. Mayor Benjamin and I will meet with our consultant, Scott Watson, to develop a plan. Thank you for your patience. Apologies to those directly affected by the brighter lights.

Hans Wegner

Green Again!

Our angel this month is Peggy Regnier, who donated the money for printing the *Bugle's* green banner. If you would like to be a donor, please send a check for \$25 (or more!) to Box 98, made out to the Garrett Park Citizens Association. If you wish to make the banner in honor of someone or something, just include a note. Many thanks.

On November 8, Citizens Association officers will be sitting outside the Post Office (weather permitting) to begin collecting dues for 2004. In December, look for an envelope in this paper to send dues to Box 456 if you haven't yet paid (see box, p 2, for amounts). Everyone in Garrett Park is a member of the Association, but if you pay your dues, you can vote for Association officers.

Snow shovellers' and babysitters' names are needed for the November issue of the *Bugle*. Please call Mary Moyer before November 6 if you are 13 or older and would like to be included on these lists. Let us know your name, age, phone number, and what you want to do (there is an answering machine for messages).

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Martin Flavin, MD

Martin Flavin, 83, a biochemist at the National Institutes of Health, died in his home in Garrett Park on September 29 from complications related to Shy-Drager Syndrome.

Flavin was born in 1920 and spent his early years on the California coast south of Carmel. He was the son of the Pulitzer Prize winning author Martin A. Flavin and Sarah K. Arnold. Flavin was educated at boarding schools in California and Germany during the 1930s; he then attended Harvard University for two years and the University of California for one year, obtaining his B.A. from Stanford University in 1944. Flavin served in the U.S. Army and was based in the United States during World War II. Flavin received an MD from the University of California Medical School (now UCSF) in 1947 and a PhD in biochemistry from Columbia University in 1951.

Dr. Flavin served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service from 1951 to 1954, first at the National Cancer Institute and then at the National Heart Institute in the laboratory of Nobel laureate Christian B. Anfinsen. Dr. Flavin then spent two years at the Department of Biochemistry at New York University with Nobel laureate Severo Ochoa and a year at the Department of Agricultural Biochemistry at U.C. Berkeley, before returning to the National Heart Institute at NIH in 1957, where he worked for the remainder of his career.

Dr. Flavin contributed importantly to scientific understanding of the intermediary metabolism of amino acids (the building blocks of proteins) and the regulation of microtubules (key structures in determining cell shape and in the process of cell division and replication). He retired in 1988 as Chief of the Section on Organelle Biochemistry of the Laboratory of Cell Biology at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, but continued his research as a special volunteer for another 10 years. Dr. Flavin published numerous scientific papers and trained many young scientists.

Dr. Flavin had lived in Garrett Park since 1967. He was an avid white water kayaker, skier, and cyclist, and was active in the Sierra Club, the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club, and the Federation of American Scientists. After retiring, Dr. Flavin turned to jewelry-making and writing, authoring *Kurt Hahn's Schools and Legacy* (Hahn was the creator of Outward Bound), published by Middle Atlantic Press in 1996. He also wrote a not yet published memoir about his experience of aging and of today's health care system.

Dr. Flavin is survived by his brother Sean Flavin of Monterey, California, and his nephews Christopher Flavin of Washington, D.C., and Colin Flavin of Cambridge, Massachusetts. Dr. Flavin's wife of 17 years, Tomoko Flavin, died in 2000.

Dinniemaud Virginia Jensen Ellingson:

Garrett Parkers said good-bye to Dinnie Ellingson a few years ago when she moved to Saint Augustine, Florida, from Kenilworth Avenue. Now the good-bye is permanent. Dinnie passed away in Florida on June 7th after an 11-month struggle with cancer and a brain tumor. She'll be remembered for her kind and generous spirit, her sparkling eyes and smile, and her love of nature and animals.

Born in Hendricks, Minnesota, in 1920, she taught physical education at Luther College after graduating from the University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse. After WWII, she moved east with her mother, living in an apartment in Bethesda until they found a charming house in Garrett Park. The little white house with the red roof and wrought iron gate remained her home for 40 years.

After her mother died, she married Herman Ellingson. Together they added a fine family room to their house and propagated a yard full of azaleas, mostly from twigs. In later years, Dinnie gave her excess azaleas to the town, where they can be seen in common areas all over. She enjoyed checking on them as she walked her dogs. Five years after her marriage, Dinnie was widowed.

Attending GW at night, Dinnie earned a master's degree. After retiring from her job studying bacteria at NIH, she devoted herself to her church and to bird watching. She became involved with the Audubon Naturalist Society, helping to form the ANS speakers bureau and developing a notable collection of slides for bird talks. With help from friends and neighbors (the Benjamins), Dinnie built a delightful pond with a waterfall in her yard. It attracted so many birds that she put up a camouflage tent nearby, where she and her camera could wait concealed. Many of her bird photos hung framed in her houses in Garrett Park and Saint Augustine, as well as at the ANS.

Having no children, Dinnie decided to move near her nephew as she approached what she called her "older years." Many times in Florida she let it be known what a mistake that was. Garrett Park was the only place for her.

Dinnie will be remembered around town for walking the little white dog Popcorn. For seven years she did doggie day-care for him, entertaining him during the day and returning him at night. When she moved to Florida, Popcorn went to visit her at Christmas. Dinnie convinced him to winter in Florida, until she returned to Garrett Park in the spring for Ricky Herrle's wedding. Somehow she never made it back here or to the wedding, and Popcorn lived with her until she went into a nursing home. There he visited her daily, bringing sunshine to her declining days. Popcorn still waits by the car every morning, expecting to visit her. Many of us will miss Dinnie as much as she missed Garrett Park.

Wendy Ketchum

Letter from the Mayor

Isabel was not as furious as she blew through as were the citizens of Garrett Park in her aftermath, as most of us waited for the return of power until Tuesday, and a few didn't get power until the Friday one week after the storm. The town lost some trees, and a few homes had minor damage, but we generally survived the hurricane in very good shape. Our town staff were out before the winds had died down, starting the cleanup; our tree care contractor, Myers and Laws, had trucks parked in the town during the storm that began rolling Friday morning to clear all the streets. As residents began piling branches at the curb, Butch and Frank, our dedicated maintenance staff, started chipping them up and removing them... until the chipper broke. But as soon as it was repaired, they were back at it again.

I can take little credit for all this, having been out of the country. Kathy and I returned to a dark and powerless house at 2 am the Sunday morning after the Thursday storm. I was, however, smart enough to appoint Carolyn Shawaker acting mayor in my absence. Carolyn did a marvelous job working with the Town Administrator and staff to prepare for the hurricane and coordinate the cleanup. We owe the acting mayor, the councilmembers, and all the town staff our gratitude for their dedication to the town's needs before, during, and after the weather emergency. And there were many instances of neighbors helping one another and checking to make sure

everything was all right. Now, if we can only get Pepco to show that same level of concern... but I guess that's what makes Garrett Park special.

We apologize for the unreliable, and sometimes nonexistent, trash removal we have had this summer and fall. Waste Management, our contractor, not only has a new staff serving the town, but has changed the staff's makeup and management several times. The workers they send here just don't know where to go to get trash from people's yards, don't have managers who ride with them to help, and are sometimes either unable to make the full rounds or don't show up at all. Town Administrator Ted Pratt has been receiving your calls, tracking failures, and calling Waste Management regularly. He is frustrated by their new phone system, which makes it much harder to contact the responsible managers. In numerous cases, town staff, including Ted, have removed the trash themselves when Waste Management has not responded. We are evaluating our options in case we decide to terminate their contract.

The newcomers' reception once again demonstrated the unique characteristics of our town. We have a wonderful group of new neighbors, many of whom expressed interest in becoming active members of various town groups and committees. We look forward to working with them to continue to make our town even better than it has been over the past 100 years.

Peter Benjamin

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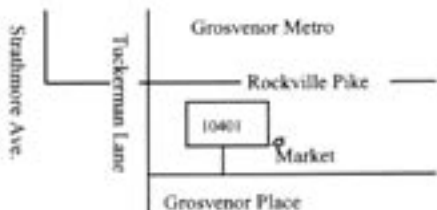
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Film Society November 7

The next show of the Garrett Park Film Society will be *Thirty-Two Short Films about Glenn Gould*, a unique cinematic portrayal of the late Glenn Gould, made in 1993. The film will begin at 8 pm on Friday, November 7, at the Town Hall. Food and drinks will be available for sale beginning at 7:30 pm.

Gould was a controversial and eccentric pianist, considered one of the 20th century's greatest musicians. The film presents a unique, impressionistic look at the offbeat musician. Instead of giving a chronological view of Gould's life, writer/director François Girard elected to present a variety of snapshots, including recreations of actual events (with Gould played brilliantly by Colm Feore) and interviews with real-life contemporaries and friends. Taking its structure from Bach's Goldberg Variations, the recording that Gould made famous, each of the 32 constructed vignettes represents a variation on the theme of Glenn Gould. Together they depict the many diverse aspects of his life, ultimately giving the viewer 32 impressions of him.

Film Society members are encouraged to attend. Admission is \$5 for nonmembers.

Don't forget that the Film Society is now showing its films in DVD format on a large 12 by 7 foot screen. The change from the older 16-mm format is stunning: the film is crisper, the colors are more intense, and the sound is much, much clearer. You're going to love it!

GPFS Screening Room

Have you ever wanted to be a movie critic? Do you just like talking about film and film making? Have you ever wanted to discuss a film and how well it succeeded or where it could have done better right after seeing it? Well, now is your chance! The Garrett Park Film Society announces the inauguration of the Screening Room, an occasional series showcasing noncommercial, independent films by young film makers. The first film will be shown on October 30, 7:30 to 9 pm, at the Garrett Park Town Hall. The film, *The Heart of Steel*, is a documentary by Angelo Guglielmo, Jr., of New York, about a group of "renegade" volunteers who refused to take a passive role in the aftermath of the events of 9/11. The film may be a candidate for a "documentary short" Academy Award.

After viewing the film, we will discuss your reactions to the film; what the film maker was trying to communicate, and whether he did it effectively; what worked, and what could have been done better. Although he will not be present, your comments and reactions will be shared with Angelo.

Admission is free. Light refreshments will be available for sale before and after the screening.

Note: If you are a film maker, or know of one, who would like an opportunity to screen a film before an audience, contact a member of the GPFS (Jack Mandel, Henri Keller, Anne Mizoguchi, Barbara Rodes, or Suzanne Grefsheim) and let us know.

Bugle Notes . . . Sweet and Sour

- ♪ There will be a pumpkin carving experience for town residents on Sunday, October 26. You have to bring your own pumpkin and cutlery, however. Join your neighbors in the Town Hall at 3 pm for this fun-filled community carve. Bring a treat or snack to share. For more information, call Robin Mayhew.
- ♪ The Kraiches, Inghams, Mileses, and Lovetts spent a week in a small refurbished castle near Orvieto in the Umbria region of Italy (near Tuscany). Good times were had exploring the many old hill towns, hiking (including climbing Mt. Amiata), shopping, walking, and cooking and eating superb Italian food—not to mention sampling the various regional wines. Everyone had so much fun, it looks like it's time to start planning the next trip.
- ♪ Beware of people selling things without proper identification or licenses. Sam Levy was approached at the door by a young man selling "magazine subscriptions" for a good cause (his aunt in the estates needed the money). Sam got the feeling that everything was not kosher, so he called the police. The police arrested the young man, who pleaded guilty to getting funds illegally.
- ♪ Speaking of Sam Levy, he has moved to downtown Bethesda and is currently a cook at the Mongolian Barbecue during the night hours.
- ♪ A beautiful Garrett Park memorial service for Barbara Frost was held September 20 at the Town Hall. Local politicians Kumar Barve, Jennie Forehand, Mike Gordon, Nancy Floreen, and Susan Hoffmann were on hand, along with a standing room only crowd, to relate their memories about Barbara. She will be missed.



**37th Annual
Craft Fair**

**Saturday, November 15th
Sunday, November 16th
10 am to 5 pm**

**Bethesda Woman's Club
5500 Sonoma Road**

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Neighborhood Watch Captains List by Street and Watch Number

Remember, each captain’s watch is made up of a small neighborhood which may include more than one street, so the same captain’s name may show up on this list two or occasionally three times. In most cases each watch covers both sides of the street named, except in the case of Strathmore Avenue, which is the north-south dividing line of the town. All but one watch there covers just one side of the street. (N) and (S) are used to indicate on which side of town (divided by Strathmore) the watch occurs. The numbers and letters after the captain’s name refer to the Emergency Preparedness contact person. Find your street and house number to find your block captain.

Albemarle Avenue (N)	
4701 to 4710	Bette Runck (6c)
Argyle Avenue (N)	
4700 to 4714	Christa & Harry Gordon (11b)
Cambria Avenue (N)	
4400 to 4410	Juliett Wolff, William Hammel (1a)
4411 to 4419	Pam Wolters, Steve Holden (1b)
4510	Michael & Mary Morse (1c)
4521 to 4525	Barbara Flanders (2e)
Clermont Avenue (N & S)	
(S) 10700 to 10715	Boris Kameras (1b)
(S) 10801 to 10815	Brenda & Bruce Artim (15)
(N) 10902 to 10904	Jane Holland (2c)
(N) 10905 to 10916	Pat Schwartzman (2d)
(N) 10913 to 10919	Nancy Schwartz (odd Nos.) (2a)
(N) 10918 to 10938	Joyce Marable (even Nos.) (2b)
Clermont Place (N)	
4501 to 4515	Barbara Flanders (2e)
4517 to 4519	Nancy Schwartz (2a)
Clyde Avenue (N)	
4700 to 4704	Barry & Susie Rosloff (9)
Kenilworth Avenue (N & S)	
(S) 10700 to 10713	Gideon & Francoise Kantor (13)
(S) 10802 to 10818	Joel & Joan Vernick (12)
(N) 10902 to 10925	Bonnie Tyler (4a)
(N) 11001 to 11028	Stan & Jane McLeod (5)
(N) 11100 to 11117	Bob & Eleanor Melville (6a)
(N) 11118 to 11220	Nick & Marla Allard (6b)
(N) 11300 to 11321	Jacquie & Philip Brunschwyler (7)
Keswick Street (N & S)	
(S) 10700 to 10712	Donn & Millie Mader (18a)
(S) 10800 to 10811	Don & Dorothy Chrisler (19a)
(N) 10902	Michael & Mary Morse (1c)
Knowles Avenue (S)	
4418 and 4420	Don & Dorothy Chrisler (19a)

Roster of Emergency Preparedness Contacts (EPC) Coded by Watch Numbers

EPC name	Watch number
Les & Carol Henig	1a, 1b, 1c
David & Jenny Rothwell	2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2e
Robert LeMar	3a, 3b, 3c
Martha Seigel	
Jim & Mary Gordon	4a, 4b, 5
Laura Retherford	6a, 6b, 6c, 7
Dennis & Kacky Collins	8a, 8b, 9
George & Alys Abar	10, 11a, 11b
Peter & Kelly Brock	12, 13, 14a, 14b
Pat Loeb	15, 16, 17, 18a
Ken Keppel	18b, 19a, 19b, 20

For further information, if you can’t reach your block captain, call Jane Franklin or the EPC whose watches are shown above.

Montrose Avenue (N & S)	
(S) 10696 to 10716	Courteney Culp (14a)
(S) 10800 to 10809	Bert Walter (14b)
(N) 10904 to 10919	Carol and Charles Snyder (3a)
(N) 10922 to 10941	Martha Seigel (3b)
(N) 11004 to 11018	Steve Lillie, Carol Davies (11a)
Oxford Street (S)	
4400 to 4409	Bonnie & Wally Bass (18b)
4508 to 4513	Seoras & Paulette Morrison (17)
4600 to 4605	Courteney Culp (14a)
4700 to 4800	Gideon & Francoise Kantor (13)
Raleigh Avenue (N)	
10900 to 10905	Michael & Mary Morse (1c)
Rokeby Avenue (N)	
11010 to 11123	Mitzi Rapp (10)
11200 to 11306	Barry & Susie Rosloff (9)
11307 to 11408	Josh & Sonali Swift (8a)
11307 to 11411	Oral & Sue Folks (8b)
Shelley Court (S)	
10700 to 10715	Seoras & Paulette Morrison (17)
Strathmore Avenue (N & S)	
(S) 4422, 4424, 4426	Paul & Jackalene Osmond (19b)
(N) 4423, 4425, 4427	Michael & Mary Morse (1c)
(S) 4500 to 4512	Bruce & Brenda Artim (15)
(N) 4503 to 4515	Jane Holland (2c)
(S) 4604 to 4710	John & Marcia Tollefson (3c)
(N) 4705 to 4709	John & Marcia Tollefson (3c)
(N) 4805	Bonnie Tyler (4a)
(S) 4802 & 4804	Joel & Joan Vernick (12)
Waverly Avenue (N)	
4600 to 4716	Ken & Jane Salomon (4b)
Weymouth Street (S)	
10700 to 10715 & 10804	Susan & Ted Green (20)

The nonemergency number to call is 301-279-8000 if you are alarmed, or 911 if you want police response quickly, day or night. Note the Captains’ watch number and find it on the new EPC List if you need to reach your EPC.

Our community police person for Garrett Park is slated to come to the November Citizens Association meeting in case you have any questions.

Jane Franklin, Box 90
Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

Note. In accordance with town web site policy, all telephone numbers identified with private persons are omitted from the *e-Bugle*. Please consult your telephone directory or a printed copy of the *Bugle* for phone numbers.



Arboretum Notes

25th Anniversary Celebration

In case you have not seen the notices around town, this is a reminder of the upcoming 25th anniversary celebration of the creation of the Garrett Park Arboretum. Festivities will be centered in the Town Hall on October 25, 2 to 5 pm. The Garrett Park Elementary School children have created murals and pictures to commemorate the event, which will also be on display. A tree walk conducted by Phil Normandy will be part of the festivities. Bring your family and friends for a fun and informative afternoon.

New Garrett Park Arboretum Web Site

Thanks to the volunteer efforts of many, there is now a Garrett Park Arboretum web site. Go to www.garrettpark.org for a short background explanation and link, or go directly to www.garrettpark.org/GPArboretum. Although the site is still evolving, it already has a wealth of information, including brochures, articles, links to other relevant sites, a brief history of the Arboretum, information and pictures on specific shrubs and trees, the plant database, fun things for kids to do, and much more. Please visit soon.

Our Poor Trees!

Even before Hurricane Isabel hit the area, two of our upright trees decided they had had enough water, and the roots gave up. First, the tree in front of the Pearlmans' (Rokeby and Argyle) fell from the curb right on top of their roof. It missed doing any major damage (a chimney got swiped, and a hole was created through the porch roof) but created such a stir with live wires that the Red Cross came to see if the family needed relocation. They declined. Second, the tree in front of Stan and Els Benjamin's home on Kenilworth went across the street into the Melvilles' front yard. Each time, Myers and Laws tree company was on the scene clearing away before you could say "boo." Then the hurricane hit.

We had major happenings at 11014 Montrose (tree, telephone pole, and wires down), Rokeby and Clyde (tree, telephone pole, and wires down), and 11016 Kenilworth (tree down), as well as minor disturbances at the tennis court by the pool (tulip poplar), a large branch across Oxford, a small tree on Strathmore, part of a tree at 10935 Montrose, big branches at Waverly and Montrose, a straggly oak at 11303 Rokeby, a tree at 11005 Montrose, what looked like a tornado strike in Wells Park, half a tree in Dave Almy's back yard, and a large branch at the Post Office trailer. Thanks to the magnificent work of Myers and Laws, the roads were open soon the next morning. (However, a lot of the travel was to get ice or to dump unusable food.) The Post Office had to be closed for lack of light, making it difficult to put

mail in the boxes. (A good Samaritan did provide some lamps, and later headquarters sent a generator.) It was a change folding the *Bugles* by candlelight. They were picked up before the hurricane hit, folded during, and mailed way after.

One thing about the power being out—you get to meet your neighbors! Children from different parts of town helped by picking up strewn debris on some elder residents' lawns. And it was rather nice to see drivers stopping on Strathmore when they saw a stoplight not functioning and thought they had to stop for us. However, I for one am glad it is over, and hope for a quiet winter!

Mary Moyer

We were out of town when hurricane Isabel hit Garrett Park. Back home on Monday, we saw that a huge tree in front of our house had come down, taking a utility pole and numerous wires and cables with it. We also saw that a lot of work had been done to clear the area so that people could use the street and access their houses safely. When Pepco came, they told us that the work that had been done made their job much easier and resulted in quicker restoration of service. Thank you to Frank Breazeale, Butch Frost, Myers and Laws, and anyone else who contributed.

Barry and Susie Rosloff

I thought my yard had escaped hurricane damage, but two weeks later I suddenly noticed that a horrible, vertical crack had split the trunk of my big-leaf magnolia. A professional arborist, who had known and loved this tree, came over at once. Alas, he told me what I already knew in the pit of my stomach: the tree could not be saved.

What a beauty she was! After winning her place on the registry of Montgomery County Champion Trees, she went on to become a State Champion. Every aspect of this magnificent tree has been painted by me and my watercolor students for over 27 years. Paintings of it hang in far away places. Word of the tree's demise spread quickly around the world. My son Matthew e-mailed his childhood buddy, Ward Huffman, who now lives in Japan. Ward's response was: "It is in that tree that I developed my tree climbing ability. The limbs were nicely spaced and the bark kind to the hands. Ah well, it will always be in our consciousness."

Martha Siegel

One of the nicest things imaginable happened to me at the height of hurricane Isabel. On Friday evening, at dinner time, I was alone, hungry, and moodily sitting in a dark living room—no electricity—no TV—when a vigorous knock, knock happened on my door. And standing there in the gloom was a beautiful young angel offering me a hot dinner—a delicious sizzling meat loaf with lots of dark gravy, which I polished off in candlelight, thinking, "This could only happen in small town Garrett Park." The angel turned out to be Laura Krupp.

Donal McLaughlin